IALI'S PERIL.

Dak, which is a very big name for a very small native hetel about sixty road to the hunting steppes of the Bakit, or hill country. Punda was a good plunder only on the securest principles, piece to be gained thereby.

But a deeper reading of this prosperous Boniface of the jungles revealed to be doubled, and the time that the fact that he was capable of love- elapsed before reaching it everlasting. yes, even a tender, human affection; The crackling of the leaves and twigs and that little Iali, his 5-year-old on the moss beneath my feet added to daughter, was the object of a worship my trepidation. Almost before I realin his heart even more fervent than | ized it I had reached the big trap, and that which he bestowed upon the five then halted short, thrilled by the sound home-made clay gods before which, in of something human. Looking ahead a dark corner of the Dak, he burned a through the deepening mists and invast deal of ill smelling incense. The tervening boughs I saw the little child second year of Tsang's married life figure of Iali creeping out upon the had hardly begun when his beautiful withered branches over the pit. For wife was bitten by a yellow viper while the instant I had no power to move, gathering healing herbs down in the nor dared I speak, lest, overcome with valley. When they found the poor sudden fright, the frail little one might creature she was dying-with her new lose her foothold. Suddenly a new horborn babe in her arms. This calamity | ror disclosed itself. What were those the bereaved husband regarded as a two glaring, cold, yet fiery points just direct visitation of the clay gods in the | beyond the pit, burning their way corner; only the day before he had through the shadows? It was the tiger. robbed a Kling hunter of his rifle, leaving the poor fellow to make his he ran upon a pair of half starved kuchimpanzee, in fleeing from which he But there was one thing that mitigated the harshness of this ven- light like a madman. geance-the presence of the little | Suddenly I saw the litle figure child, whom he tenderly cherished, waver on the dead branches over the and whom he had called Iali, which is mouth of the pit, and then, with a to say, "forgiven,"

Scorpion stopped at the Dak on their the yielding boughs into the cave beway down from a hunt in the hill coun- neath. For a moment all was silent. try. We were seated under the palms be Then I heard her childish prattle. The fore the bungalow after tiffin, smoking soft sand had broken Iali's fall and cheroots, while I listened to their ex- saved her life, while I was brought ploits with interest. Suddenly four na- face to face with the most awful probtive Malays approached, wheeling a 1em of my life. For what seemed hours five tiger in a clumsy wooden cage, and I stood like a pillar of stone, the pershalted before the Dak. They were go- piration pouring down my neck, my ing to dispose of him to a naturalist tongue hot and parched down on the coast, who had a method | Suddenly, as I stood like one in a of killing and stuffing animals by which trance, facing this growing problem, I the marvelous lustre of their skins was was conscious of a stir in the reeds preserved. The forest king was certain- and underbrush at my right hand ly a magnificent specimen, and the offi- Though the sound caused me to tremcers evidently thought so, too, as they ble, I dared not take my eyes from the concluded to buy him, perhaps to swear crouching monster beyond. The next that they had captured him. They bought the animal for a good round sum, sent the natives back rejoicing, advanced into the clearing toward the and started down toward the coast, while Punda-Tsang, not contented with exacting 50 per cent, commission from the poor fellows for using his Dak for a tiger mart, committed the meanest act of his life. He slyly sawed one of the hind bars nearly through in four ferred his burning gaze to the mampieces. Then he went to work planning to waylay the tiger on his way back to his haunts after he should break koose, which he knew would happen before the purchasers could get many were only a blind. Then he walked miles down the valley. He quietly pursued his planning until late that night, when he heard from good authority that the tiger had broken jail, and nearly killed one of his owners. Then | buillock bone. Then, to my intense he prepared to put his plans into ac-

Punda knew well enough that the instant a tiger smells blood he will drop flat, and, even if the feast is a mile away, will begin a slow, creeping journey toward it, wasting hours, perhaps, When he has approached within twenty feet of the prize, quivering with desire and terrible with greed, he will leap into the air like a cannon ball and plunge down upon his victim. Punda-Tsang knew all this; so he dug a pit down the valley, constructed a network of branches over it and laid a quarter of a bullock upon it. Then he waited for the tiger to scent the blood and make his slow, crawling journey, knowing that when he made the grand twenty feet leap he would go crashing through the net-work into the pit below. Then Tsang planned that he would starve the beast, let down a gage baited with more fresh meat, and, sliding the bars from above, haul the captured tiger out and sell him over again. All this might have happened, but events somewhat stranger and more horrible for Punda-Tsang interfered, doubtless as another direct visitation of the vengeance of the little glay gods in the bungalow corner, half concealed in clouds of punk smoke.

As little Iali was the inn keeper's constant solace and companion, she went with him to the pit digging, her father explaining to her the manner of capturing the "four-footed jungle god," which facts, instead of frightening the child, only helped to increase the stock of her play gods and demons, which she moulded deftly from the red clay of the ravine. For two days nothing was heard of the tiger, and Punda-Tsang began to fear that he had gone back to the hills by another route.

On the afternoon of the third day I sat on the cliff's edge, watching the mists rise from the roaring river bottom, a phenomenon which always accompanies the closing day. Suddenly there was a great shuffling of sandals about the compound, and I knew that something extraordinary was taking place. I turned quickly; the big form of Punda-Tsang, the inn keeper, burst upon me suddenly, his flat face as pallid as a demon's, ferocious, but with the feracity of nameless fear. "Iali!" cried he hoarsely. "Have you

seen Iali?" "No!" I replied, almost in a whisper. He did not wait, but sped towards the so-called bullock sheds, which were really caves cut in the solid rock beyond the Dak. I had become attached to the child, whose marvellous beauty had charmed and whose weird ways mystified me.

The coolies were flying hither and thither, making the air ring with their loud wails. Such agitation on the part of these vagabonds roused me to a realization of the child's danger. Suddenly I turned my eyes and thoughts in the direction of the ravine where the tiger trap lay. I recalled vividly the child's interest in the "jungle god" who was to be captured in the deep pit; and knowing the little creature's absolute fearlessness, thought | courtesy; calmness is a great advanthat, acting upon some childish im- tage.-Herbert.

Punda-Tsang was an inn keeper. He pulse, she might have strayed down was sole proprietor of the Ballawari- the narrow path to the pit. Meanwhile, the wailing about me increased

I dropped over the ledge, soon reaching the pathway by a short route. As miles north of Penang, and on the high I penetrated the jungle, now suffused with mist in the ruby glow of the expiring day, I realized with what risk to myself I was entering this dangersort of Malay, which means a bad sort ous spot, all unarmed. I was still deof anything else. That is, he would bating whether or not to return for a weapon of defense, when, as I leaped over a soft spot in the red clay, I saw and never quarrel with a bigger man two footprints that shot terror into my or a better armed one than himself. heart; one was that of a mamoth tiger, In this he differed from the other Ma- the other belonging to a little child. I dropped down beside them. No. lays, who would plunder and knife upon there was no mistaking them, so clear no principle or provocation whatever, if and fresh were both. Then I crept forthey thought there was a ten-anna ward, scarcely daring to breathe, my heart beating faster and faster with

apprehension. The distance to that tiger pit seemed In moments like these one's reason-

ing powers become superhuman. I way unarmed down to the sea, where saw that in all probability either Iali or I was to be sacrificed, which one kangs, a vicious species of Malay depended merely upon the caprice of the wild beast. I had heard that the fell over a cliff and was dashed to calm, steady, fearless stare of a human pieces. And Punda-Tsang always felt is more terrifying to wild animals than that the yellow viper was sent direct | guns that kill. On the instant I refrom the land of the judging gods to | solved to practice it; it was my only avenge the blood of the poor Kling expedient. So I stared at those two coldly bright and glowing points of

weak little cry poor Iali hd lost her One day two officers of H. M. ship foothold and slipped slowly through

instant a strange, huge shape crept stealthily out of the underwood and pit—a ponderous black monster. It was ! a mammoth orang-outang!

The tiger crouched lower. He seemed to be as nonplussed, as stunned by the intrusion of this huge interloper as I was. In motionless silence he transmoth monster.

Advancing to the very edge of the pit, the huge ape slipped, but he recovered. He saw that the branches around the edge of the trap and knelt down like a human being, slowly, deliberately reaching out his long, hairy arm till his giant hand clutched that relief, the orang slowly dragged the great mass of flesh off the network of branches upon the solid ground.

For a moment longer the gleam of those two terrible eyes, now like peepholes into a fiery furnace, followed the unsuspecting pilferer. Then came a rustle, a strange shriek like thunder, god" had sprung into the air and come rank with Clay and Webster for elo down like a flashing avalanche full upon the broad body of the kneeling Mangum, Badger and Graham. They reorang. A single paw struck the mammoth age in the back, and with an almost human groan the rescuer of my life and hers gave up the booty, together with his own life. Then the tiger, with a final flash of eyes full into my own, snatched up the carcase of the bullock in his flaming jaws and slid off into the thick of the jungle. After that, when he knew all, Punda-Tsang burned incense harder than ever, for he avowed that the gods had at last forgiven his former crime; and, generally speaking, Punda became a better sort of a Malay than before.-London Mail.

Methods in Spelling Concerning the influence of methods in spelling, a very comprehensive study was made by me, through personal interviews with some 200 teachers whose pupils had taken part in my tests. These teachers were questioned, to the minutest details, in regard to the course United States senate. Populists were me, and that I should imagine myself they had pursued. In brief, my deductions may be summarized in the statement that there is no direct relation between methods and results. For example, among the points that have given rise to endless discussion is that concerning the value of oral spelling. My tests showed that, while in some of the schools where a special feature had been made of oral spelling the results were favorable, in others they wre unfavorable, and the same conditions were shown where the oral spelling had been abandoned. Second, much discussion has arisen as to whether, in written spelling, the words of the lesson should be placed in columns or in sentences, but the claim of superiority in favor of sentence over column spelling was by no means corroborated, the results of the sentence method varying just as much as those of the column method.-Dr. J. M. Rice

Aphorisms When a man is wrong and won't admit it, he is always angry.-Haliburton. If there is any person whom you dislike, that is the one to whom you should never speak.--Cecil.

The cheerful live longest in years, and afterwards in our regards. Cheerfulness is the offshoot of goodness .-

He is incapable of a truly good action who finds not pleasure in contemplating the good actions of others .-Lavater.

Be calm in arguing, for fierceness makes error a fault, and truth dis-

Motly Musings.

(In Poetry and Prose.) BY QUERQUE.

(Copyrighted by Dawe & Tabor.) They always tell babies that "Father's one a-hunting" (which may or may not e true) "to fetch a little rabbit skin" which is certainly a downright lie) for no father never preserved a utile rabbit to big one, or used such a thing "to wrap baby in" (whatever that particular cind of baby may be.) That's the way-they begin by telling you all sorts of lies, and then expect you

o grow up a truthful man. As you lie in your cradle They lie unto you They say, "baby's lovely,"

And you know it's not true.

Then you lie in your boyhood Because it seems brave And so on, till lastly You lie in your grave.

It doesn't much matter what you say to haby anyway. The fiery untamed bachelor usually starts with "Hallo, old hap!" or something conversational; but, finding no response falls ultimately into the incoherent mutterings that are kept for babies and other pet animals. Poor bachelor! to his eyes baby is but n expressionless face, a bald pate, a pair of flabby arms and a heap of clothes. To ais ears its language is nothing but ints size. To his touch there is nothing but a desperate fragile parcel of luke-

> Bunch of clothes Absent nose, Bald on top, Yells wont stop.

warm draperies.

But to the mother's touch there is dethrills. To her ears come sweet love notes, gentle petitions, hopes that stretch away into the soft blue haze of the infinite. To her eyes the baby face is the through orchards of the torch cactus, epitome of all that is purest and best in its thick trunk supporting bare arms, her double life, the outline of the great are, and in the depths of those fathomess eyes that reflect her own, she reads f the heaven whence they came, and the clory of the hereafter to which she hall lead the waking soul.

Like the shell of varied hue In the clear lagoon that lies, Is the ever-hanging blue That I see in baby's eyes.

Like the rushes ewaying throng Round the crystal pool that rise Are the lashes soft and long That encircle baby's eyes.

Like bright Vesper's limpid rays Shining soft in summer skies, Is the pure and steadfast gaze That I watch in baby's eyes.

TO THE STATE OF Ah, surely, one white ray Of calm eternity's Has left the perfect day

To dwell in baby's eyes. ADVICE TO BACHELORS.

I. Don't ask to see baby. Troubles come of their own accord. 2. Don't take the baby under any circumstances. Say you have rheumatism or housemaid's knee, or somthing eatch-

3. Don't expect babies to extend the whole length of their clothes. 4. Den't fail to discover at once a re semblance to one of the parent's in some feature or another. When in doubt, try

5. Don't call the baby "it." If uncertain generalize on the weather. 6. Don't look for babies to talk or have any hair. It is never expected of them. 7. Don't forget that every baby is ' love" and "quite the finest child you have 8. Don't inquire for teeth. It's a tender subject. 9. Don't say "I wonder why it cries!" You give yourself away entirely.

Beautiful baby! Do give it to me! (Don't be so stupid! You know it's a she Do let me take her a minute or two! (Mind, you don't drop her, whatever yo She's bald as an eagle, I really declare!

10. Don't touch the bottle.

(You don't expect babies to have any What makes her cry so? I'm sure she's all right (You hard-hearted villian, you hold be toe tight!) I'm holding her lightly. She must want some food (The darling can tell when a man is no

good!) O please take her from me, I think she is (Ugly man shant have oo! Hush, now be still!)

North Carolina Senators

The United States senators from North Caroina were famous in the earlier day: of the Republic for their statesmanshi a bound and a roar, and the "jungle and learning, and many of them held quence in debate. We recall the names of presentated the Whigs of the old North State in the senate and were men to be proud of.

In latter days there came Zeb Vance whose genial good nature and happy manner made him a popular governor and a jolly, whole-souled senator. He was beloved by his people; had a good word for every body; lived like a prince, and died regretted by all. North Carolina is now represented in

the United States senate by two men as different from each other as the poles and strange as it may appear only one represents a party. Marion Butlar, who was elected by a union of republicans and populists, and had the good fortune to draw the long term in the senate, rep resents only himself.

By an express- agreement the popu lists, headed by Mr. Butler, were to assist in the reelection of Mr. Pritchard, and with that solemn understanding the republican-populist legislature was elected and convened. Mr. Prichard was the logical candidate, but Mr. Butler, in violation of his agreement, opposed his election by every means in his power. The him for an explanation. He said that people of Noth Carolina, however, were made of sterner stuff, and despite Mr. Butler, reelected Mr. Pritchard to the

among his most zealous supporters. This act of treachery on the part of Mr. Butler cost him not only his good name but his party, and to day we see the nove spectacle of a United States senator rep resenting no one but himself. His party left him for its good. He has even been ignored by Tom Watson and his adherents and finds himself an Alexander Selkirk on a political island. Senator Prichard has a future: Mr. But

ler has none.-Washington National Mir

A Demand for War (From the Pittsburg Dispatch.)

The reported policy of the McKinley ac ministration to postpone the Cuban ques tion upon one pretext or another is th reverse of creditable to the administra tion. While it is seeking excuses for de lav innocent women and children are suf fering the tortures of starvation and abuse, inflicted upon them by as fiendish a policy as has been devised in modern times, by a pretended government toward the subjects of its alleged government Such delay is in direct violation of the platform pledges upon which this administration came into office and is withou justifying excuse. The pledge was to aid Cuban independence, and that sentiment is strong with the people of the Unite States. Open refusal to do anything would be as nearly honorable as repudia tion could be, but evasion and delay add cowardice and dissembling to repudiation It may be yet hoped that President Mc-Kinley is wrongly accused of such a policy, and that he will soon put the stamp of contradiction upon the reports.

Guldensuppe's Murderer Traced.

Montreal, July 3.-The Allan Line people have announced that a man resembling Thorne, the alleged murderer of William Guldensuppe in New York, bought a ticket for a second class passage on the steamer State of California, which left last night.

The Deserts of Southeast California

Of the one hundred and fiftyseven thousand square miles which compose the area of California, about 35,000 square miles are desert. These do not to any distinctive extent appear in the northern and central part of the state, though as you approach the Nevada line at all latitudes the country assumes more sterile characteristics; but when you cross the southern boundary of Mono county, an extreme eastern division of the state and about midway its length, you pass into a country which gradually assumes those qualities and appearances which constitute a desert the globe over. From a point about thirty miles west of the fortyfirst parallel of longitude and upon the south line of Mono county, southerly two hundred miles to the base of the Sierre Madre range of mountains, east to the Nevada line and the Colorado river along the entire longitudinal distance, the country is all desert. For fifty miles inland following the bend of the ocean beach at and below Los Angeles there is a climate tempered by the sea-fogs and the cool salt breezes, but these cannot climb the slopes of the Sierra Madre, the San Bernardino, and the San Jacinto mountains, so that thence to Arizona and south to the coherent screams out of all proportion to Mexican line there is aridity, a parched dryness and a dancing heat which oppresses all animal life when the sun is high, and radiates and disappears soon MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH after the sun has set, so that even the summer nights are cool, and in winter there is a freezing temperature.

The general aspect of this country is strange even to weirdness. It is not licious warmth, delicate softness, tender generally barren, but is covered by the most curious and remarkable vegetation. For a hundred miles you may ride jointed by like bare perpendicular life to be filled in under her watchful branches, standing in rough nakedness and stillness. The yucca, whose central stalk bears an abundance of pendulous white flowers, shows the green blade-leaves of the palm family up all canons; and the thorny mescal and the Spanish dagger, the intricate brush of greasewood, the scrubby mesquite, the white sage, and the innumerable grasses which in tufts and bunches checker here and there a broad sweep of bareness, all make up a flara as curious as it is wonderful. Even in regions of the maximum aridity, where the fierceness of the sun's rays is intolerable to life above the grade of a lizzard, some defiant organisms of the vegetable kingdom will sustain themselves and cling to a reluctant existence. It is a country, too, broken by numberless and strange mountains which generally show a barrenness the La. N. cou 4's 36 N. J. C. G. 5's 117 valleys do not display; in some parts their sharp ridges and craggy peaks will line a broad valley in continuous chain for many miles; again they will stand at varying heights, isolated high round cones or low broad lumps, leaping suddenly from the flat surface as though they were set there by some enormous hand like glant bee hives.

The country shows everywhere evidences of the most turbulent activities of fire occurring in past geological ages. Some of the plains are mere ashes, while the mountains and elevations are black lava. Igneous dikes plunge here and there through sand stone, and the acid granite caps country rock blown Magazine.

Bewitched by Juggler

A correspondent of Scottish Nights, writing from India regarding the theory that the jugglers perform their tricks by "will power," says:

"During the course of the Indian mutiny I made the acquaintance of one of these gentlemen of India, who tried to instruct me how to perform these tricks He said it was all imaginary on the part of the spectators, as he simply willed that they should see those things.

"The most exciting performance that he gave for my amusement was the converting of a bamboo stick into a native servant, who waited at table and supplied our wants.

"Afterwards-in his absence-I tried it on and to my surprise the same man was before me asking for instructions. I directed him to fill the chatties in the verandah with water from the well in the compound. This he proceeded to do. When he had filled them all to overflowing I requested him to stop. He, however, took no notice of me and went on stolidly bringing in the water, until, in my excited imagination, it seemed that the bungalow would be washed away.

"Finding that I could not arrest or stop his movements, he passing through me as though I did not exist, I drew my sword and lay in wait for him. Making a slash, I apparently cut him in twain, when, lo! there were two men bringing in the water, neither of whom could I restrain or prevent from

doing so. "I was completely out of my depth, when I heard a quiet laugh behind me, and on turning I found it was my instructor, who held up his right hand total was absorbed by Tobacco, in which and the two men disappeared, the stick resumed its place in the veranda, and, to crown all, there was not the slightest sign of any water having been brought in. I excitedly appealed to Many dealers and brokers left town yeshe had been present all the time, hav- today at all. ing willed that he should be invisible to to see and do what I thought had taken

"In order to prove it, he asked me to step out into the compound and direct my attention to a huge cavern, which I knew was not there before. As I entered a number of huge elephants and camels issued from it in a cantinuous stream, yet I could not touch one of them. They apparently passed over me as though I did not exist. He again raised his hand and the cavern and animals disappeared and there was no indication of an exodus of any

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

COTTON REPORT.

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The quotations posted at 4 o'clock today at the exchange. Cotton firm.

Ordinary ... Good ordinary. Low middling. Middling ... Good middling Prices same day last year, 74c.

Spirits turpentine-Machine barrels steady at 23%c; country barrels steady at Rosin steady at \$1.25 and \$1.30. Tar firm at \$1.10. (Sales at \$1.15.)

NAVAL STORES.

Crude turpentine steady; hard \$1.30; yellow dip \$1.80; virgin \$1.90. Prices same day last year-Spirits turpentine 22% c and 22% c; rosin \$1.32% and \$1.70 and \$1.80.

tine, 563 barrels rosin, 42 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine. Receipts for same date last year-301 easks spirits turpentine, 642 barrels rosin, 106 barrels tar, 67 barrels crude turpentine

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Liverpool, July 3,-1:30 p. m.-Closing-Cotton, spot quiet; prices unchanged; American middling 4 7-32d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 7,100 American; receipts 2,000 bales, including 1,600 American. Futures opened quiet with a moderate demand and closed quiet but steady at the decline.

COTTON.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour July 4 10-64d values; July and August 4 8-64d, 4 9-64d buyers; August and September 4 5-64d buyers; September and October 3 63-64d buyers; October and November 8-64d buyers; November and Dacember 5-64d, 3 56-64d buyers; December and January 3 54-64d buyers; January and February 3 54-64d buyers; February and out into peaks piercing far in the pale | March 3 54-64d, 3 55-64d buyers; March and heavens.-John E. Bennett, Lippincitt's April 3 55-64d, 3 56-64d buyers; April and Western Indiana generals; Colorado Mid-May 3 55-64d, 3 56-64d buyers; May and land firsts, T. R., and Omaha and St. June 3 56-64d, 3 57-64d values. New York, July 3.—Cotton: holiday;

Total today and consolidated: Net recelpts 640; exports to Great Britain 800; to the continent 400; stock 176,845. Total since September 1st: Net receipts 6.594.826; exports to Great Britain 2,985,799; to the continent 2.109,901; to France 696,848

to the channel 5.481. PORT RECEIPTS.

Galveston-Holiday; net receipts 99. Norfolk-Holiday; net receipts 26. Baltimore—Holiday. Boston—Firm at 777sc; net receipts 148. Wilmington-Steady at 7%c; net re

Philadelphia-Holiday. Savannah-Firm at 712c; net receipts

New Orleans-Holiday; net receipts 249; gross receipts 251. Mobile-Dull at 71/2c; net receipts 11, Memphis-Firm at 7%c; net receipts 23. Augusta-Steady at 7%c; net receipts 7. Charleston-Quiet at 7%c; net receipts Cincinnati-Holiday,

Louisville-Quiet at 715 St. oLuis-Steady at 7%c; net receipts 45; gross receipts 437. Houston-Steady at 7 11-16c; net receipts

NAVAL STORES.

New York-Rosin dull; strained, common to good \$1.7242@\$1.75. Turpentine dull at 261/2/a27c. Savannah-Turpentine firm at 244cc sales 1,500; receipts 1,497. Rosin firm; sales 4.307; receipts 3,254. Quote: A B C D \$1.30; E \$1.30; F \$1.40; G \$1.45; H \$1.60; I K \$1.65; M \$1.75; N \$1.85; W G \$2.00; W W \$2.50. Charleston-Turpentine quiet at 2314c bid; sales none. Rosin firm; sales none;

The New York Stock Market,

strained, common to good \$1.25 to \$1.30

New York, July 3.-Dealings were small on the stock exchange today in the aggregate and about one-third of the small there was heavy selling and a notable decline in price. A half day's session of the stock exchange, preceding an interval of two days suspension of trade would naturally account for the dulness in part. terday and took no part in the trading The decline in activity today, however,

cannot all be attributed to the fact that two days' suspension of trading is to follow. The heavy liquidation in Tobacco, a sharp decline in Tennesse Coal and Iron and the influence of lower prices for American securities in London affected the tone of the market and were added the bear contingent. Manipulation for the decline and short selling were quite palpable and proved effective in the narrow and rather neglected market. Nevertheless, there was not lacking evidence of a reflux of confidence in the general outlook for business improvement. These results showed no wide recessions, notwithstanding the heavy tone of the market, outside of two special cases mentioned and Reading first preferred, the latter stock closing a point lower. Tobacco sagged at one time 312 points below yesterday's close and closed at 74, which is rally of %. Tennesse Coal and Iron fell 2% and recovered only the fraction of that figure, the weakness being due to reports of labor troubles with the companies em-ployes, Brooklyn Rapid Transit was a marked exception to the general weakness and gained 1%, closing strong at the

With what care, further advance of 2 points. The reflux of confidence in the general outlook for business indicated as being a factor today, has been manifest during the week. The recognized organs in the fron and steel industry have expressed a degree of dissatisfaction with the pro gress making toward improvement in that business-a business which Wall street habitually looks to as a fairly reliable barometer of business at large. The strike of coal miners in the bituminou coal districts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois has grown in impressiveness to the minds of security holders. The soft coal industry itself and the railroads which transport its products have been recognized as a drag on general improvement and the prospect of further disorganization and demoralization in the industry is regarded as a serious drawback to industrials in the revival. These

stocks, that prices of securities were outstripping the improvement in business. As a result, the week has witnessed the cuimination for the time being, at least, of the advance of securities and the first clearly defined reaction since the movement set in over a month ago. The market has, however, retained a large degree of steadiness and even of firmness in many leading stocks. Monday and Tuesday saw the heaviest transactions on the stock exchange of any day since that following the election last fall. On Monday all offerings seemed to be well absorbed and the selling seemed nothing more than the professional profit taking which has been a feature at intervals of the steady advance in stocks. But Tuesday's transactions made it evident that the buying which has led the advance. had, to a large extent squidated its holdings and was not prepared at once to buy, for another upward step in the market. St. Paul has been the leader of the market all week in activity, and enormous speculative holdings in Rurlington have been sold out and transferred to St. Paul. The weekly statements of gross carnings of St. Paul have shown an excess for each week in June over the corresponding period in any year since 1863. For the fourth week in June the earnings reported yesterday are in excess of the corre-\$1.3715; tar \$1.20; crude turpentine \$1.30. sponding week for any year in the history of the road. St. Paul's net gain on the Receipts today-190 casks spirits turpen. week is 142, and Burlington's net loss is nearly equal, the former stock having overtaken and crossed the latter in price and closing the week at the same price. The statement of both roads for May was also notably good. The returns of most of the railroad companies of the country continues to show improvement.

A feature of the week has been the decline in sterling exchange to below the point where gold exports are profitable, even with the consideration, amounting to a premium, which is still offered for gold in Europe. A special order for \$500, - 900 in gold which was received on Europa on Thursday found no takers. It is the general belief of exchange and specie export houses that this marks the termination of the outgoing gold movement for this year. The growth of bank clearings in June indicates an increased activity in business, though it is to be noted that the increase of banks outside of New York is, according to The Financial Chronicle, I per cent, over last year, while for New York city the increase is 6 per cent. supposed to be largely due to stock speculation. Deposits in New York clearing house banks are several million in excess of the highest previous record and currency continues to move to this centre. But the week's expansion in loans of these banks is \$3,137,200 greater than the expansion in the deposits for the same period. This indicates a step towards the absorption of the surplus idje funds in the New York banks, which have glutted the money market for many months and reduces the excess of deposits over loans, which last week rea 413,000 by the amount stated. Net changes for the week in the stock market are mostly losses in the active shares, but they only reach as high as a point in a few shares. Tobacco is off 3%. Bay State Gas 3 and Chicago Gas and Eastern Illtnois preferred 312. On the other hand Sugar is up 2. Rio Grande Western, preferred 814, the common 514. East River Gas, preferred 5, Chicago and Eastern Illinois 6, Brooklyn Transit, Long Island, Pittsburg, Cincinnatt, Chicago and St. Louis, preferred and East River Gas 4 or over, and quite a number of stocks, most-

ly inactive ones, a less amount. The bond market was strong and active luring the week. Operations for foreign account were less notable. The high price for prime mortgages are forcing more generous purchases of low priced liens, The aggregate sales were \$9,297,000. The principal gains are: Chicago, St. Louis Toledo, Peoria and Western Brsts, and Peoples Gas of Chicago firsts, 4 each; Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis consols, Commercial Cable 4's and Brooklyn Transit 5's, 212 each, Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern consols, Chlcago and Indiana Coal 5's; Chicago and Louis firsts, T. R., and Houston and Texas Central Deb. 6's 2 or over. Standard Rope 6's and the incomes lost 4 and 412 respectively and Kanawha and Michigan I's 212.

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A Young Lady From Due West Female College Disappears in Nashville

A very distressing story comes from Due West, S. C. Miss McQuiston, of Arkansas, was a pupil at the Due West Female Academy last year. When the term was drawing to a close, her. father wrote her to meet him in Nashville, at such and such a hotel, at such and such a time. She left Due West after commencement for Nashville, When she got there she found that she was ahead of time, and that her father had not arrived. She thought she had made a mistake in the hotel, and started out to look for him at other hotels. Not finding him she returned to the hotel she had first stopped at. There a gentleman met her who told her that he had seen her father at such and such a hotel, and that if she would go with him, he would take her directly to her father. That was the last seen

or heard of her. Her father came 12 hours later, expecting of course to find his daughter awaiting him at the hotel. He was told of her having been there, of her hunt for him, and of her leaving the

hotel with a strange man. The Observer's informant had daughters at Due West College, who knew Miss McQuiston well. So far nothing has been heard of her.-Charlotte Observer.

A Sweeping Proposition.

Ninety-eight thousand trade unionists connected with the American Federation of Labor have united in a demand to congress for the total suspension of immigration "for a period of five years and until such further time as the domestic demand for labor shall to as far as possible by the efforts of have overtaken the supply." It is not worth while to discuss such a sweeping position seriously. If it were put into operation it would shut out immigrants from England, Ireland, Germany and Sweden, as well as from Poland, Hungary and Italy-immigrants with skilled trades and with means, as well as immigrants who were illiterate and penniless. Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and other northwestern states owe much of their prosperity to the Norwegians and Germans who constitute a large portion of the farming population. Thrifty and industrious immigrants like these are a source of national strength. What is needed is an immigration law which will pretop. Rio Grande preferred also showed a vent this republic from being made a receptacle for the human flotsam and jetsam of the old world.-New York

Colored Deacon's Figurative Prayer (Roanoke News.)

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A white minister, after conducting services at a colored church, asked an old deacon to lead in prayer. The brother in black offered a fervent appeal for the white brother and said: "O, Lord, gib him de exe ob de eagle det he spy out sin afar off. Way his hands to de Gospel plough. Tie his tongue to de line ob truth. Nail his ear to de Gospel pole. Bow his head down between his knees, and his knees way down in some lonesome, dark and narrer valfacts came to re-enforce the arguments ley where prayer is much wanted to be constantly harped upon by the bears during the period of the present advance in of salvashon and sot him on fire."